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1. The SAG Bleichert at Leipzig has received an order from the Soviet Union for 12 running gears for suction dredges, to be delivered to a factory in Czechoslovakia. The dredges are intended for the Soviet Union.
2. A spherical bucket has been delivered to the Soviet Union. Two spherical buckets and a floating dredge are to be sent to Egypt for exhibition. These are also being built for the Soviet Union, which will pocket the exchange in the event of an eventual sale.
3. The plant will be formally turned over (to the Soviet Zone VEB) on 31 Dec 53. This will make no difference in the placing of orders.

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